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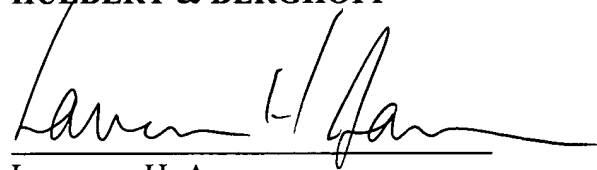
As shown above, Applicant has cancelled claims 1-3 and 27-32. Now pending in this application are claims 4-26. In the office action mailed July 8, 2004, the Examiner allowed claims 4-26. Therefore, all pending claims are now allowed. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the Office to pass the application to issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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